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UNION JACK AS A PETTICOAT: SCOTTISH NURSES WHO WERE IMPRISONED RETURN TRIUMPHANT WITH THEIR FLAG.



Dr. Alice Hutchison wearing the Union Jack as a petticoat, which she thus concealed when all their effects were taken.



Peeling potatoes in the prison yard at Kevevara, where they spent Christmas. Kevevara is in Hungary, three miles from the Danube.



Austrian soldiers guarding the prison where the nurses, some of whom are seen in the background, were detained as common prisoners.



Lieutenant Schiller, the Austrian "jailor," who was called "our dearest foe" because he was so kind and courteous.



Group showing the imprisoned nurses and their guard.

A party of Scottish nurses who were imprisoned by the Huns reached London at midnight on Saturday. Rather than desert their patients, who had so much need of their skill, they remained at Vranyschka when the Serbians evacuated the town, with the



Sisters washing their clothes in the Danube marshes.

result that they were treated as common prisoners. The thieving Huns stole all their effects except a Union Jack. That has never been soiled by Austrian hands, thanks to the stratagem adopted by Dr. Hutchison. — (Daily Mirror photographs.)

Tailored Suits for Spring

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C4057, Handsome Natural Musquash Fur Coat, made from full, rich skins, latest shape, with detachable belt, length 43 in. Sale Price **6 gns.** Price Post free Usual price 8 and 10 gns.



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2/11/11 Part Post 3d. New Model House made from our famous mercerized Repp. Easy fitting and best finish. Colours: Navy, Black, Saxe, Grey, Ivory, Brown, etc. Worth 4/11.



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PETTIT'S, KENSINGTON HIGH STREET, LONDON, W.

A WOMAN SCOUTMASTER.

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So many scoutmasters have enlisted that women have been called upon to carry out their duties. This one is seen in charge of her troop at a parade in London.

A FALL AT THE HAWTHORN HILL MEETING.

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Maid Marian comes a cropper at the open ditch in the 2.30 race. She was just leading at the time, and then, getting her feet on the rail, never rose to it at all.

ENGAGEMENT.

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Captain L. A. Bratt.



Miss E. B. Brooke.

The bridegroom-elect is in the 21st London Regiment.—(Swaine.)

GIRL APPOINTED TOWN SERGEANT.

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Miss Ruth Davis, Colchester's town sergeant, helping the mayor (Mr. A. G. Aldridge) to put on his robe. She has many duties to perform, and has charge of the regalia.

TRAINING FOR THE GREAT BOXING CONTEST.

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Jim Sullivan.



Pat O'Keefe.

The greatest glove contest arranged since the war began will take place at Golders Green next Monday, when Corporal Jim Sullivan meets Lance-Corporal Pat O'Keefe, London Scots are seen watching their comrade Sullivan in training.

ECONOMY IN SUGAR.

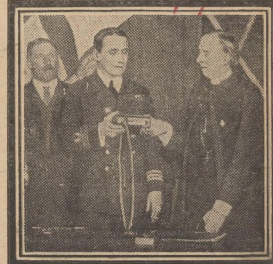
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Refiners now send out sugar in large lumps. These are cut up small at the restaurants.

A SUBMARINE HERO.

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Commander Max Horton was the recipient of several gifts on his return to his home at Minster.

AIR MINISTER FOR GREAT BRITAIN?

Suggestion That Lord Curzon May Be Given New Portfolio.

COMING NEW TAXES.

(By Our Parliamentary Correspondent.)

The new session of Parliament which opens to-morrow promises to be as memorable as its immediate predecessor.

The Earl of Clarendon will move and Lord Muir Mackenzie will second the Address in reply to the King's Speech in the House of Lords.

In the House of Commons the Address will be moved by Mr. Ian Macpherson, M.P., and seconded by Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. F. S. Jackson, M.P.

One of the most urgent problems with which the Government will be pressed to deal is that of the adequate defence of the country against enemy aircraft.

The raid on the Midlands a fortnight ago has awakened members all over the country to the importance of insisting upon the Government taking prompt and vigorous action, and unless satisfactory assurances are given to this effect a big storm of indignation is certain within the next few days.

No time will be lost in raising the question, for Mr. Joynson-Hicks has already given notice of an amendment to the Address urging the desirability of "placing the air service on a footing on a firmer and stronger basis," and expressing regret that "up to the present arrangements have not been made to guard our country from invasion by hostile aircraft."

LORD CURZON OR MAJOR CHURCHILL?

An announcement with regard to the creation of a Ministry of Aerial Defence is expected this week.

Of the many names mentioned in connection with the control of this department the two most widely canvassed are those of Lord Curzon and Major Churchill.

Lord Curzon has not, of course, Mr. Churchill's practical experience of aircraft, but as the latter is understood to be marked out for military promotion at an early date the appointment of Lord Curzon, whose brilliant work as an administrator in India is still in the public recollection, would be viewed with marked favour.

Apart from the vital question of aerial defence, many other important matters will be discussed in the coming session. These include:

The tightening of the naval blockade.
The position of Sir Percy Scott in connection with the aerial defence of London.
Air reprisals.

The placing of the merchant tonnage under the control of a central expert authority.
The passing of vast quantities of iron ore into Germany.

Relief for voluntarists and conscripts who are in financial difficulties.
Proper allowances for men who have been invalided home suffering from frostbite.

Far-reaching financial proposals, affecting every taxpayer in the land, are also expected.

An effort will be made to spread the burden of new imposts as fairly as possible over all classes, the luxuries of the rich and the pleasures of the poor alike being taxed to meet the national requirements.

After the Address has been voted most of the time of the House up till March 31 will be devoted to the consideration of the Estimates.

E. A. J.

DON'T WORRY MILITARY AUTHORITIES

PRESS BUREAU, 6 p.m.

The Secretary to the War Office issues the following communiqué:

During the recent air raid much inconvenience was caused to various military authorities by a number of telephone inquiries which were addressed to them from various sources asking for information as to the progress of events.

The War Office desires to remind all who are disposed to adopt such means of obtaining information that when an air raid is in progress the whole of the military staff is completely occupied and, moreover, the telephone lines must be free for the reception of official reports, the issue of orders and the necessary control of defensive arrangements, and that private inquiries greatly impede the collection of information.

DID NOT KNOW WHY SHE MARRIED

Stating that she married her husband three months ago, but had never lived with him, Fanny Zolobousky summoned her husband Joe, at the Thames Police Court on Saturday to show cause why he should not maintain her.

She was aged seventeen and her husband was aged twenty-one.

Asked by Mr. Lylester why she married him, she replied: "I don't know, but I want you to do the best you can for me. Make him pay me money."

Defendant, it was stated, offered to furnish a room for her, but she wanted three. As the magistrate could not find, in view of this offer, that desertion was established, the case was adjourned to see what could be done to bring the couple together.

A coroner's jury on Saturday found that the collision on the Brecon and Merthyr Railway, which caused the deaths of two men and injuries to two others, was due to a misunderstanding of the engine whistle, the signals being in darkness.

CALL TO ALL SINGLE MEN THIS WEEK.

Young Groups of Married Men May Receive Warning Within a Month from Now.

A compulsion sensation for the week-end is the announcement that all the remaining groups of single men and single men classes are to be called up this week.

The *Daily Mirror* understands that the War Office will during the course of the present week issue a Royal Proclamation calling up all the remaining groups of single men under the Derby scheme—that is, up to and including Group 23—and in addition all the men in the classes up to 23 compulsorily enlisted under the Military Service Act.

This means that by the third week in March—March 17—the men will have to report themselves for training and that all the single men in the country, with the exception of those starred or otherwise exempted, will have been called to the colours.

"BY ROYAL PROCLAMATION."

The Central News, in a statement dealing with this rapid and unexpected development in connection with the coming into force of the Military Service Act, says:—

It is understood that the War Office proposes to call up without further delay all the classes of single men, and this step will be notified by Royal Proclamation, which will probably be issued in the course of the week.

There has been considerable activity both at the War Office and the Ministry of Munitions within the last few days, and no doubt this decision is the result of joint consultation.

The statement may also be made, though with reserve, that some of the younger groups of married men may also receive an official intimation regarding their position within a month from now.

Of course, there is still a chance for single men to enlist or attest voluntarily, and on this point a further poster issued by the authorities states:—

"Single men are urged not to put off voluntary enlistment or attestation until the last moment."

CURATE LEAVES.

Extraordinary Situation at a Well-known Parish Church in London.

An extraordinary situation has arisen at St. Matthew's Parish Church, Brixton, S.W., for it has suddenly been left without a clergyman to carry on the work.

Last November the vicar, the Rev. A. J. Waldron, resigned, and since then the Rev. P. L. Quitts has been curate-in-charge. Now Mr. Quitts has left.

He alleges that he cannot get his stipend and that £15 is due to him, and he announced his resignation in a letter to a local newspaper.

Special preachers had been arranged for during the present month, and thus the continuity

HINT TO HOUSEWIVES.

Every housewife who reads "The Daily Mirror" can help the country in the great economy campaign by ordering the paper in advance at her newsagent's shop or bookstall or from her newsvendor regularly.

She will thus assist to provide more space in our ships for articles urgently needed for the war.

For vast space is wasted in the carriage of paper consumed in printing copies which are unsold.

By ordering "The Daily Mirror" regularly she will enable our publisher to estimate with greater accuracy the number of copies the public need.

of the services has not been broken, the service yesterday morning being taken by the Rev. F. E. Thompson.

A subscription list has been started to pay the curate's stipend.

According to Crockford's Clerical Directory the living is worth £450 a year net and a house and the patron is the Archbishop of Canterbury.

"Their chance will end at midnight on March 1, and they will be placed in the reserve under the Military Service Act on March 2."

The central hall at Great Scotland Yard was crowded with recruits on Saturday—with new attestations by young single men and numbers who were presenting themselves under the call to Groups 6, 7, 8 and 9.

Recruiting stations generally were busy, but all anticipate a big fresh rush during this week.

A new warning is to be issued to workers in starred or reserved occupations.

By the Military Service Act single men engaged in reserved or certified occupations who fail to attest before March 1, instead of becoming automatically starred, will be compelled to make application to their local tribunal for a certificate of exemption.

This is made clear in an official notice which will be posted during the next few days.

The notice will be addressed to "starred" or "certified" single men in reserved occupations. The immediate result of the calling up of the first four groups has so far shown that only a very small percentage of men in each of these groups has been obtained, says an important new set of instructions received in Birmingham from the Army Council with reference to the enlistment of Derby recruits.

CONTINUAL REVISION OF LIST.

"It will therefore be necessary to revise continually the lists of men left in each of the groups and classes that have been called up with a view to obtaining in due course every available man for military service."

"The groups for single men will close at midnight on March 1, 1916, so on March 2, 1916, all single men who are not for the time being exempted or excepted from military service are deemed to have been enlisted and passed to the Army Reserve."

"It will not be necessary to attest these men, but only to enter the particulars concerning them on the enlistment form Army form B 2512, which will shortly be issued."

PROSPERITY AND PIANOS.

Better Wages in War Time Bring More Trade to British Makers.

The war while it has killed many industries has rejuvenated others.

At the present moment there is a record boom in pianos.

"One of the reasons is, of course, that large numbers of people are making more money than they have ever made before," said the general manager of a well-known piano firm in Holborn to *The Daily Mirror*.

"Then we are more or less free, for the time at least, from foreign competition. As a result there has been a considerable increase in the number of English-made pianos sold."

They are not so cheap as the German varieties. The cost of labour and of material has advanced considerably.

"Among the orders we have received during the last few days I find the names of a lift attendant, a blacksmith's mate, a butcher, a bootmaker, a tobacconist, a printer's managing clerk, a plumber, a caretaker, a private secretary to one of the Government departments, a teacher of music and a foreman on the Port of London Authority."

"Another order has come from Sir George Reid, the ex-High Commissioner for Australia."

Large numbers of pianos are being requisitioned just now for the various Y.M.C.A. huts and canteens and for the military hospitals.

HUNS' RADIUM FRAUD.

"Radium," that supposed panacea which less than two years ago received wellnigh unprecedented—booming in our Press," says the annual report of the Society for the Prevention and Relief of Cancer, "is now hopelessly discredited as a cure for cancer."

"It has had, in this guise, a short life and a merry one, but it would be immensely interesting to know precisely how much money Germany gathered in from her enthusiastic professional dupes whilst the craze lasted."

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Group of convalescent Indian officers who presented a loyal address to the King-Emperor. His Majesty made a gracious reply.

ARE THERE WOMEN "SLACKERS"?

Allegation That Thousands of Sex Are Indifferent to War.

"FEW DO-NOTHINGS."

That there are thousands and thousands of "women slackers" who still do not realise that war is a very serious and tragic business, and who do nothing at all to assist in winning it, is the allegation made against her sex by a woman worker correspondent of *The Daily Mirror*.

"It hurts to have to say it, but nevertheless it is a fact that these Englishwomen are indifferent to the war and to all that it means to the future—their future and their children's future," she asserts.

"The men have done their duty, and it is scandalous to think there are women who are still hesitating to do their little bit."

"You come across these women every day carrying on as usual in their own sphere way just as in pre-war days—shopping excessively, almost living in restaurants, and still giving dinner-parties. The war does not worry them in the slightest."

"DOES NOTHING TO HELP."

Inquiring into these allegations, *The Daily Mirror* found it generally admitted that there were "do-nothings" about, but that they were not numerous in comparison with those women engaged in war work of some kind.

Generally it was held among women themselves that about 75 per cent. of the women of today are war workers in one sphere or other.

"A friend of mine," confessed a girl secretary, "is a typical example of the woman slacker."

"She is a fine, healthy woman, the wife of a manufacturer with an income sufficient to keep her in comfort all her life."

"Yet she does absolutely nothing to help in any way to win this war, and the amazing part about it is that her conversation always includes the remark that 'she is thankful she has no one to worry about at the front.'"

"It does not seem to occur to her that every day thousands of lives are being sacrificed that she may live in safety and comfort."

"In my opinion the woman slacker is to be found among the poorer classes," said another young woman worker.

"I know a woman whose husband is at the front, and who certainly has more money now than she has ever had before."

"But, instead of giving some of her time, at any rate, to helping her country in some way or other, she spends all her income, mostly on theatres, picture houses and restaurants."

Miss Olive Jetley, the secretary of the Personal Information Department of the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies, holds, however, that the woman slacker is practically non-existent.

UNION JACK PETTICOAT.

How British Woman Doctor Hid Flag When Imprisoned by Austrians.

Living in two rooms, 19ft. by 17ft., at Kevevara, in Hungary, three miles from the Danube, as prisoners of war, thirty-four doctors and nurses of the Scottish Women's Hospitals contrived to spend a very jolly Christmas.

They arrived in London during the week-end, and Dr. Alice Hutchison, head of the unit, told *The Daily Mirror* yesterday some of her experiences.

"We put paper flags—English, French and Belgian, made by ourselves—on the walls," she said, "when the guards were not likely to visit us. We had one real Union Jack, which I wore concealed as a petticoat all the time."

"We had bought live geese in the market the day before, and we made a plum pudding."

"We sang Christmas carols, and in an undertone, after drinking the toast in claret, we together sang 'God Save the King,' the only time we ever dared to attempt it. The guards could not hear us. We always had two soldiers on guard in the corridor."

Dr. Hutchison added: "We had tableau vivants, in which we represented, among other subjects, the Kaiser and Franz Josef shaking hands. We borrowed uniforms from the guards, who, however, were not allowed to see this tableau."

"The 'actors' wore their long boots, as always, and with cotton-wool dyed in ink we gave the Kaiser a very fierce moustache indeed."

"Miss Hamer blackened a felt hat and made it into the shape the Kaiser wears, and when the potatoes grasped hands it was very impressive indeed. Sometimes the guards came to see other tableaux and enjoyed them very much."

LINER CHASED BY "ENEMY SHIP."

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The liner *Cretic*, which has arrived at Boston, has reported, according to Boston telegrams published in the newspapers here, that she was chased by an enemy ship when in the neighbourhood of Gibraltar.

Details are not given.—Central News.

The most significant feature of this message is, perhaps, that the *Cretic* was chased "by an enemy ship." Is this enemy ship the *Pompa* or *Moeve*, the 3,600 tons boat with the collapsible steel bulwarks and big guns that captured the liner *Appam*?

Read "Why Germany Grows More Potatoes," by Fred A. Talbot, on page 7.

GERMANS PENETRATE FRENCH TRENCHES AT TWO POINTS IN WEST

Five Day Attacks Follow
Five Night Attacks.

BIG ARTOIS BATTLE.

Reported Escape of Two German
Liners from South America.

NEW ARMoured ZEPPELIN

Calais or Paris?

Are the Germans making for Calais or Paris? Along the whole western front the Huns are battering at the Allied line, seeking a weak spot.

Paris last night admitted that the Germans had gained a footing in the front line trenches in Artois and Champagne. The fiercest fighting is in Artois, where five attacks were made.

Official Berlin news yesterday contained two important claims. In the Champagne district, where the French triumphed last September, the Germans state that they have stormed 760 yards of trenches and taken over 200 prisoners. At this point of the line the Huns are twenty-five miles south-east of Rheims, which is only eighty miles from Paris.

Between the Oise and Rheims the enemy carried out a heavy bombardment, and German patrols attacked the French trenches, Berlin claims with success. On Saturday the Germans attempted to cross the Yser Canal, which is less than fifty miles from Calais.

GERMAN LINERS' ESCAPE?

News comes from New York of the reported escape of two German liners which were interned in South American ports. It is further stated that all interned enemy vessels have received the cue to make a dash for liberty if the chance occurs.

HUN LINERS TO MAKE DASH FOR LIBERTY.

Two Steamers Said to Have Escaped from South American Ports.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Following the attempted escape of a German liner from Asuncion, it is reported that two German steamers recently succeeded in getting away from South American ports where they were interned, namely, the *Bahnenfeld* (3,648 tons), from Buenos Aires, and the *Turpin* (5,132 tons), from Punta Arenas.

It is further reported that all German naval vessels have received the cue to make a dash for liberty whenever opportunity offers.—Reuter.

"JAMMED" THE WIRELESS FOR TWO HOURS.

A semi-official history of the adventures of the *Goeben* and *Breslau* is now one of the books of the hour in Germany.

It is quite clear that the author has had access to the log-book of the *Goeben*, and that he received information regarding the famous flight of these boats from Vice-Admiral Souchen.

The writer, says the *Zurich* correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, dates the story from July 30, 1914.

Midday on August 6 the Admiral issued an order that the *Goeben* and *Breslau* were to put to sea on a course for the Adriatic, but were to veer round and steer for Cape Matapan.

Shortly after leaving the harbour an English cruiser of the Weymouth class, alleged to be the *Gloucester*, appeared on the horizon.

The English cruiser was emitting signals in three groups.

The wireless receivers finally deciphered the signal of the British cruiser as follows:—

"*Goeben* making for the Adriatic."

At ten o'clock in the evening came the order from the bridge: "Right about; starboard; make for Cape Matapan."

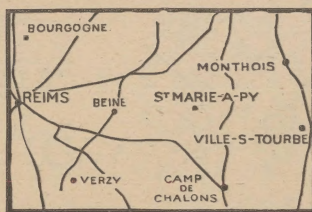
The watching British cruiser saw the manoeuvre, but before it could wireless the news that the Germans were making for the east the following order flashed out from the Admiral:—

"Jam the wireless; jam it like the devil."

The *Goeben* operators began the work of confusion.

Wireless broke in upon wireless wave; sound interrupted sound for two solid hours.

And during all that time the British fleet lay securely off Malta and the Straits of Otranto.



The Germans claim to have stormed 760 yards of French trenches in Champagne.

WADED THROUGH SNOW TO FORCE PASSES.

Russians Take 700 Prisoners and 7 Guns in Caucasus.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 13.—The official communiqué issued to-night says:—

In the Riga sector there was an intense artillery duel.

Near Jacobstadt German troops tried to approach our trenches west of Lievenhof, but our troops rushed out to meet them and threw them back.

In the Dvinsk sector firing was most intense near Ilkust, where the Germans threw hand grenades emitting asphyxiating gas.

Caucasus.—Near Erzerum our troops, advancing through deep snow in a temperature sometimes as low as 25deg. below freezing, forced almost inaccessible passes and continued to make progress.

We took prisoners some dozens of officers and over 700 Turkish regulars and captured seven guns, besides machine-guns, ammunition-wagons and an ammunition store.

A violent explosion was observed in one of the forts of Erzerum after our bombardment.

Our troops dislodged the Turks from positions near Khnyss and occupied the town of Khop after an engagement.

Peria.—In the Hamadan region we occupied the town of Duletabad.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN NAVAL SUCCESS.

(RUSSIAN OFFICIAL.)
PETROGRAD, Feb. 13.—The following official communiqué has been issued here to-day:—

The naval authorities report that a successful battle has been fought by the fleet against the Turkish batteries in the Black Sea off Vitee.

There was also a bombardment of the bridges and the coast road. Nine Turkish sailing ships were captured.—Exchange.

(TURKISH OFFICIAL.)
AMSTERDAM, Feb. 13.—An official Turkish communiqué says:—

On the Ink (Mesopotamia) front a reconnoitring column proceeding in the direction of Sheikh Said destroyed hostile telegraph lines in the neighbourhood, and by its fire compelled a hostile motor vessel to retire.

Near Fehsieh and Kirt-el-Amara there was occasional infantry and artillery fire.

Our volunteer divisions attacked a hostile camp west of Kurna on February 7.

Fighting continued until night, and the enemy was compelled to fly in a southern direction, abandoning numerous dead.

We captured some prisoners and a quantity of arms and munitions and beasts of burden.

On the Caucasus front, on the left wing, there was unsuccessful artillery fire.

In the centre fighting between advanced posts continues.

The enemy was driven from our position by a counter-attack, and lost many dead.—Reuter.

HUNS STORM 760 YARDS OF FRENCH TRENCHES.

Germans Claim Capture of 200 Prisoners in Champagne.

(GERMAN OFFICIAL.)

BERLIN, Feb. 13.—German Main Headquarters reports this afternoon:—

In Flanders, after lively artillery fighting, our patrols and strong reconnoitring detachments penetrated the enemy positions. Several effective explosions were made, and south-east of Boesinghe over forty Englishmen were taken prisoners.

Yesterday and the day before British artillery bombarded the town of Lille. Considerable material damage was caused thereby, but no losses or military damage was sustained by us. On our front between the La Basse Canal and Arras and also south of the Somme fighting activity was impeded by the bad weather.

In the fighting in the region north-west and west of Vinny on February 9 we have taken prisoner a total of nine officers and 682 men. We have also captured thirty-five machine-guns, two mine-throwers and various stores.

TOOK TRENCHES AND 202 MEN.

Our artillery heavily shelled the enemy positions between the Oise and Rheims. Patrols made successful attacks on the enemy trenches. In the Champagne, south of St. Marie-a-Py, we stormed French positions extending over about 760 yards and captured four officers and 202 men. North-west of Massiges two violent enemy attacks were unsuccessful.

Hand grenade battles continue without interruption over the portion of our trenches east of Maison de Champagne, which the French occupied on the 11th inst. Between Maas and Moselle we completely destroyed by means of five large explosions the advanced trenches of the enemy over a front of thirty to forty yards.

There is lively artillery fighting in Lorraine and in the Vosges. South of Lusse, east of St. Die, a German detachment penetrated an advanced portion of the enemy position and captured over thirty Chasseurs.

Our aeroplanes bombarded enemy positions and the railway establishments of La Panne and Poperinghe with bombs. An attack made by an enemy aeroplane on Ghislelles, south of Ostend, caused no damage whatever.

Eastern Theatre.—East of Baranowitschi two advanced positions held by the Russians on the western bank of the Czara were stormed.

Balkan Theatre.—Nothing fresh to report.—Wireless Press.

ZEPPELIN TURNS BACK FROM FRENCH RAID.

New Airships That Carry Six Machine Guns and Two Cannon.

PARIS, Feb. 13.—A warning that a Zeppelin had been sighted was given in Rouen at 8.50 last evening and was withdrawn at 10.40.

Similar steps were taken at Havre. It is assumed that the Zeppelin turned back.—Reuter.

TURIN, Feb. 13.—The *Corriere della Sera* has received from Zurich some curious information respecting changes made in the construction of Zeppelins at Friedrichshafen.

The new dirigible, it is stated, is very different from the earlier types. It is longer, more supple, and resembles an enormous fish. Two armoured gondolas are suspended from the Zeppelin, and each of these will be fitted with six machine guns and two small cannon.

They will also contain an apparatus for throwing aerial torpedoes and a gun platform.

The airship will also possess an apparatus for instantly enveloping itself in an artificial cloud when the fine weather betrays its presence to the adversary.—Exchange.



The Lord Mayor inspecting the Women's Volunteer Ambulance who assisted during an air raid. The photograph was taken at a general in London yesterday conducted by Bishop Taylor Smith, Chaplain-General to the Forces.

GREAT ACTIVITY OF HUNS IN WEST.

Foe at Fourth Attempt Reach Trench, Only to Be Ousted.

CURTAIN-FIRE TRAP.

(FRENCH OFFICIAL.)

PARIS, Feb. 13.—The official communiqué issued to-night says:—

In Artois the day was marked by a series of German attacks from Hill 140 as far as the Neuville-La Folie road.

In the morning the first attempt, which failed, was made to the west of Hill 140. In the afternoon, after a violent bombardment of our positions, the enemy attacked at four different points of our front.

Three of these attacks were stopped dead by our curtain and infantry fire. In the fourth attack the enemy succeeded in penetrating our first line trench west of Hill 140. He was driven out by an immediate counter-attack, which inflicted appreciable losses in dead and wounded on him.

STOPPED BY CURTAIN FIRE.

A German aeroplane, shelled by our batteries, fell in flames east of Givenchy.

South of Erise an attack with grenades on our works failed. East of the Oise we bombarded the enemy organisations in front of Fontenoy.

Between Soissons and Rheims the German artillery was particularly active in the sectors of Soissons, Chassigny and La Poupelle. Our

WHEN YOU HEAR GUNS GOING.

Press Bureau, Sunday, Feb. 13, 6 p.m.

The public are warned that one or two guns of the London anti-aircraft defence may be fired for practice purposes between the hours of 6 and 7 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, the 14th and 15th inst.

There will be no falling fragments of shell, and no danger to the public need be apprehended.

curtain fire rendered abortive infantry actions which were in preparation.

GERMANS GAIN FOOTING.

In Champagne, in the course of an action between the Navarin and St. Souplet roads, we took some prisoners.

East of the Talus Somme Py road the enemy secured a footing in some advance trenches.

In the Argonne we carried out a destructive fire against the enemy organisations north of the Four-de-Paris.

In Upper Alsace an enemy attack east of Seppois was crushed by our artillery fire.—Reuter.

FIVE ATTACKS AT DUSK.

(FRENCH OFFICIAL.)

PARIS, Feb. 13.—This afternoon's official communiqué says:—

North of Vic-sur-Aisne our artillery dispersed some enemy detachments which had advanced as far as our barbed wire entanglements.

North-east of Soissons the Germans were able after a bombardment to reach our trenches in the neighbourhood of the Crouy road. A counter-attack promptly drove them out.

The enemy left some dead on the field, and we made some prisoners, one being an officer.

In Champagne, in the region north-east of the Butte de Mesnil, the Germans launched five successive counter-attacks yesterday at dusk, and in the course of the evening against the trenches which had been taken by us. All these attacks were repulsed.

In Lorraine the artillery on both sides has been active in the sectors of Reillon and of the forest of Parroy. In the same districts several enemy reconnaissances were dispersed by our fire.—Reuter.

BRITISH SPRING A MINE.

(BRITISH OFFICIAL.)

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, Feb. 13.—Last night we sprang a mine west of Hulluch. Our troops occupied the near lip of the crater and suffered no casualties.

Considerable artillery fire on both sides during the day. Enemy artillery has been active about Authuille and the Hohenzollern Redoubt, Cunchy and Armentières.

Our trenches at and north of Hooge were bombarded. There has been considerable aerial activity by both sides about Ypres.

MISSING FRENCH CRUISER.

(FRENCH OFFICIAL.)

PARIS, Feb. 13.—The Ministry of Marine states that there is some uneasiness prevailing at the Ministry of Marine respecting the fate of the cruiser of 4,000 tons, *Amiral Charner*, which had been cruising off the coast of Syria and has not been heard of since February 8, on which date, according to a German telegram, a submarine sank a French warship.—Exchange.

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SEA POWERLESSNESS?

TO-DAY'S public meeting at the Cannon-street Hotel, to call on the Government to make a fuller and more effectual use of our sea power, gives us another example—after some eighteen months of war—of the manner in which we in England are seemingly obliged to conduct a contest for which the directive force should come from above, not from below.

It is the Government, not the Press and public and public meetings, that should infuse force into the fighting. From above, from the Government, should come—should long ago have come—new ideas, suggestions for victory, surprises for the enemy, power of attack, anxious endeavour. Instead, hitherto—and there's no sign that anything has been changed—the Press, the public, the agitation and printed or spoken representation that are democracy's sole weapons, have constantly forced our rulers who do not rule into action, into adopting some one definite line or another, or at least into some explanation for their failure to adopt such a definite line. The public agitation about the blockade is the actual, the final, instance.

Certain kind readers here write and tell us that we ought to let our dear elderly rich and politically successful rulers go on fumbling with the war, instead of fighting it, until we come, one bright or rainy day, upon that bland speech here foreshadowed—that parliamentary explanation, before a tittering House of Commons, why we didn't win—"because, don't you see, we couldn't." We ought not to say anything, or criticize, or complain, until it's too late. Then, when the blandly cynical speech is made, with its self-satisfied jokes, we are perhaps to be indignant and to support with such vain indignation the returned armies that shall insist on retribution for men whose motto is "After us, the deluge."

But forgive us, please, kind readers, for suggesting that it's no consolation to be told that cynicism and incompetence and lack of initiative and idleness and *delégisme* will be punished *after* the war. Honestly, we'd much rather these things got peerages and pensions *now*—before it's too late. We don't want to win the war when the war's lost. We don't care what happens to dotting incompetence after the war. We do care about it now. And we, of a nation devoted to fetish-worship, must, on account of our men at the front, keep on nagging at the Ancients.

So now, so to-day, so with the blockade. The meeting simply means (to say the least) that a large section of the public is not satisfied with recent sedative utterances of the Foreign Office. Many of us feel that the root of the situation is here in a paradox, a contradiction—we have a weapon, sea-power, belauded by all our patriots, which delicate differences with complicated neutrals and with our own Allies prevented us from using. What we want, with all deference to expert opinion, to ask is: "Has it been strongly put to such doubting Allies—not to speak of those few extant neutrals not yet offended by the Foreign Office—that our sea-power may, after this summer, be the *sole means* whereby the Allies can win the war?" W. M.

ETERNAL LOVE.

Leave me, O Love, which rearest but to dust;
And then, my mind, aspire to higher things;
Grow rich in that which never taketh rust;
Whatever fades, but fading pleasure brings.
Draw in thy beam, and humble all thy might
To that sweet yoke where lasting freedoms be;
Which breaks the clouds, and opens forth the light
That doth both solace and give us sight to see.
O take fast hold; let that light be thy guide
In this small ocean which birth draws out to death.
And think how ill 't becomes him to slide,
Who seeketh heaven, and comes of heavenly birth.
Then farewell, world; thy uttermost I see.
Eternal Love, maintain thy life in me!

—SIDNEY.

WHY GERMANY "GROWS MORE POTATOES."

"SCHNITZEL" AND "FLOCKEN" AS BASES OF WAR FOODS.

By FRED. A. TALBOT.

"GROW more potatoes!" This is the imperative official order which is being circulated throughout the land of the enemy to-day. To ensure that the call shall be adequately answered every square foot of vacant ground is being impressed into service.

But why should the German place such an implicit faith in the humble tuber? Here we grow it exclusively for the table. But it is not so in Germany. The scientific Teuton, from patient experiment in the laboratory, discovered that the potato is fulfilling its most insignificant mission as a mere vegetable.

Harassed by blockade the Germans are hard put to it to keep their military, naval and industrial machines up to their work. But the potato is proving a stalwart friend. The spirit of the tuber, as a result of distillation, con-

maintained that these critical issues might be solved. It was merely a question of stimulating brains to the study of the question. Forthwith tempting prizes were offered throughout the country in the effort to discover a simple cheap process for treating the potato to enable it to be stored indefinitely without suffering deterioration.

"Schnitzel" and "flocken" are the results of this campaign, the success of which enabled a new industry to be established, and one which at the moment is enjoying wonderful prosperity. These products are nothing but dried potato, prepared in different ways, but the latter is the more popular.

IN TIME OF NEED.

Schnitzel is shredded potato subjected to a very high temperature in an oven, while flocken is first cooked, mashed and then passed between steam-heated steel rollers, set closely together, through which the cooked pulp exudes like a continuous sheet of paper. The object of both processes is identical—to reduce the moisture percentage from eighty in the raw potato to less than fifteen in the dried article.

CHILD AND GROWN-UP: CONTRASTS.—No. 2.



Some more "whys?" from British Bob. "Why" does Daddy refuse to sleep at night, yet insist on napping in the daytime?—(By Mr. W. K. Haselden.)

stituting denatured alcohol, is proving an efficient blending fuel for their military motor-cars, aeroplanes, dirigibles and submarines; the potato is meeting the demands of those manufactures which depend upon starch; it is supplying an excellent flour to take the place of that obtained from wheat, which is contraband; and it is fattening the vast herds of cattle to ensure that adequacy of fresh meat and delicacies without which the carnivorous Hun does not consider life to be worth living.

Ten years ago the annual cropping of potatoes in Germany was trivial. To-day the Teuton harvests more potatoes than any other country in the world. Indeed, they constitute the third most vital crop, the acreage devoted thereto, being exceeded only by that under rye and oats.

But the potato is an anxious crop to raise. It is a victim of the weather. If the ravages of disease and drought are eluded there comes the question of storage. It is a perishable article, and should Jack Frost lay his cold hand upon the tuber it is ruined. The German authorities

Flocken has an attractive whitish appearance and an appealing aroma, as it issues from the machine. Subsequently when ground it forms an excellent potato meal, and in the finer grades a flour, the latter serving as the staple constituent of what has become known as the war ration—potato bread—its rich starch content rendering it a serviceable substitute for wheat flour.

The German potato grower does not study size, appearance and number of tubers per plant in judging his crop. He seeks a high starch content, because this factor, in conjunction with the other dry matter constituting the potato, governs the quantity of raw tubers necessary to yield a stated quantity of flocken. Thus whereas with some grades 500lb. of raw potatoes will yield only 100lb. of flocken, averaging 12 per cent. starch and 18 per cent. other dry matter, with other grades an equal quantity of flocken will be obtained from fewer than 300 lb. of raw tubers, owing to the starch content being doubled, with other matter ranging to 30 per

CHILDREN AND WAR.

ARE THEY REALLY MUCH INTERESTED IN THE GREAT STRUGGLE?

TOO SELFISH?

I CANNOT agree with those of your readers who hold that children should be told little about the dangers and difficulties of this great time.

Children are inclined to grow increasingly selfish. They don't care enough. That is not the way to teach them to face the tasks of the future. F. M. E.

WHEN THEY GROW UP.

ONE looks forward with keen anticipation to the day when the selfish children of to-day grow up.

"W. M." seems to think their selfishness will make new wars.

I am inclined to believe just the contrary. The children of to-morrow will (I earnestly hope) be far too selfish to endure the misery and discomfort of wars. F. M. E.

HELPLESS NURSE.

IS NOT Mr. Haselden's idea of a child's nurse rather quaint?

She is violently kicked by a naughty child and apparently does absolutely nothing. Poor nurse!

But perhaps she had both her arms cut off in the war!

USED TO CHILDREN. Rollscourt-avenue, Herne Hill.

"WHY?"

THE child's "Why?" if we only knew it, is the greatest asset of the nation. It is the spirit of inquiry, the perpetual demand of the thinker to know "why" that has fathered most of our inventions. INQUIRY.

A PREVENTATIVE?

IT is supposed that one of the chief objects of the German Government is to accomplish the dropping of bombs upon our great munition factories. Would it not prove an excellent preventative if internment camps were placed in close proximity wherever there are works for the manufacture of shells?

In the same way it might prove useful to carry a certain proportion of German prisoners on board our transport ships. BATTON.

IN MY GARDEN.

FEB. 13.—The saxifrage (rock-foil) are chiefly dwarf-growing Alpines that are extremely valuable for covering rock-work and old walls, or for using as an edging to a border. The growth of the giant-leaved saxifrage is, however, quite different. These have large, handsome leaves and from February to April send up pretty flowers about a foot in height. The colours vary from crimson and pink to white.

The giant-leaved saxifrage should be used as an edging to a shady shrubby border; they grow well in any position that is fairly moist during the summer months. E. F. T.

Schnitzel and flocken will keep indefinitely. The German Government is undertaking practical. It is looking forward to a huge potato crop this year, inasmuch as the yield will vitally affect the possible prosecution of the war through another winter. Apart from the possibility of the poorer classes being spared the distress of famine, every pound of flocken which is given to stock releases so much grain for other and more urgent economic purposes. In other words flocken forms the second line of foodstuffs defense. This country might profitably develop the cultivation of the potato for conversion into a dried food for cattle. Much waste in grain would be avoided, while the reduced consumption of this essential commodity would tend to lower prices.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

The one best provision for the future is the best possible use of the present.—Whittier.

JOFFRE AT THE BRITISH HEADQUARTERS.



The famous French soldier inspecting British soldiers. With him is Sir Douglas Haig, the British Commander-in-Chief.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS.



Sergeant O. Greer, awarded the D.C.M. He showed great gallantry during a raid.



Sergeant-Major Moss, who has died at Harrogate. He gave the Queen a ride on his charger.

DAINTY SPRING FASHION.



White dress and hat worn with a crimson sash. Both dresses shown on these pages are by Reville and Rossiter.

HAVOC WROUGHT BY FRENCH GUNS.



German observation trench in Champagne, which was ruined by a "270" shell. The picture gives an idea of the havoc wrought by our Allies' artillery.—(French War Office photograph.)

SHELL FROM A



The shell can be seen in flight towards the left, not yet cleared from the muzzle.—(L'illus)

SAVED BOY.



Private Warren Hildred, a Canadian, who saved a boy from drowning. He has lost an eye.

"THE SHOR"



A snapshot taken in Paris.

UNION JACK SAVED FROM THE AUSTRIANS.



Party of Scottish nurses who have just reached London. They were in the great retreat in Serbia, and were made prisoners by the Austrians, who took everything from them except the Union Jack, which one of the doctors succeeded in secreting from the searchers. She wore it as a petticoat.

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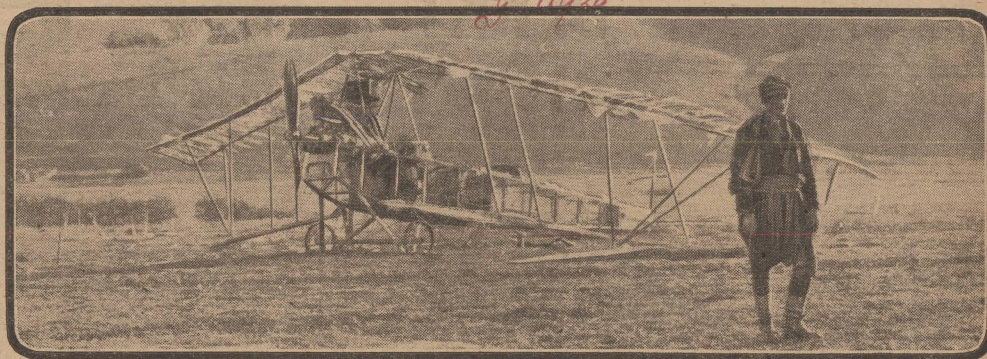
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MISSING.



Lance - Corporal John
Melville Davey, a Cana-
dian, reported wounded
and missing.

A STRANGE "BIRD" OF THE MOUNTAINS.



A relic of the retreat. A wrecked aeroplane lying in one of the mountain valleys on the Serbo-Albanian frontier.

TRAVEL AND MANY ADVENTURES.



Walter Dunn, aged fourteen, who stowed away with the Canadians and
came to England. He succeeded in reaching France, where he had many
adventures, and is now at Salonika.—(Crown copyright reserved.)

INTERESTING PORTRAITS.



Sergeant W. C. Ryer, a
Canadian, awarded the
D.C.M. He brought in
two wounded men.



Mr. Sandeman, director
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THE MILITARY STYLE.



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GRAND DUKE'S TWO DAUGHTERS AS NURSES.



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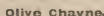
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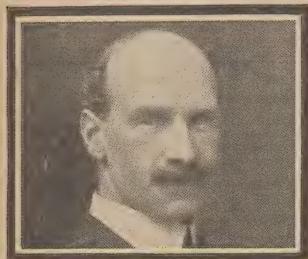
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The Hon. F. S. Jackson.

To-morrow's Debate.

One of the most interesting figures in the debate in the House of Commons to-morrow will be Mr. F. S. Jackson, who will second the Address to the Throne, moved by Mr. James I. Macpherson, Mr. Tennant's parliamentary private secretary. Mr. Jackson is, of course, the famous cricketer. Like many other athletes of renown, Lord Allerton's youngest son is serving with the Army. But it is not his first experience of military life, as he went through the Boer war.

The Cricketer M.P.

Mr. Jackson you know better for his cricketing than his political exploits. But there is plenty of time for the latter. He has only been in the House a little over a year, but is already as popular with M.P.s as he used to be with the crowds who cheered his centuries. By the way, it's the first time that the Address has been moved by a Liberal and seconded by a Unionist.

Reprisals?

Air reprisals or no reprisals seem to be the question of the moment, and the latest person to lend his voice to the controversy is the Lord Chancellor. It seems that Lord Buckmaster is against the idea of waging air war on German women and children and those who know his disposition will not be in any way surprised at his attitude in the matter.

Air and More Air.

Meanwhile everybody is talking air with remarkable eloquence and thoroughness. We shall hear the air question ventilated to a great extent when Parliament meets again. Mr. Warwick Brookes tells me that he is going to devote his maiden speech to this subject.

Cause and Effect.

The whole agitation for an efficient air service started when my friend Mr. Pemberton Billing descended on Mile End in a taxicab. "Even if we don't win," he said to me, "we will stir the Government into action." He has. Incidentally, I think a result of that taxicab drive into Mile End will be the appointment of Lord Curzon as Air Minister.

Working Quietly.

People have been wondering for some time why greater use has not been made of Lord Curzon's remarkable gifts and strength of character. Of course, he has been doing many momentous things for the Empire behind the scenes. Not the least of these was his recent visit to King Albert.

All Men Out.

My gossip colleague of the *Sunday Pictorial* was justly proud yesterday. A fortnight ago he received information that some of the married men would be called up, and yesterday came confirmation. The news was a distinct surprise to those who had missed reading the *Sunday Pictorial*. Nothing else was talked about wherever men and women met, and it was generally taken for granted that it means "all men out."

How It Works.

I had an opportunity of discussing the matter yesterday with a high War Office official. From him I gathered that the authorities are determined to give the men just as thorough a training before being sent to the front as was given to the first recruits.

Safe Home.

I had the pleasure of being one of the first to congratulate Miss Florence Chaplin on her safe return home after being a prisoner of war in the hands of the Austrians, when she stepped out of the boat-train at Victoria late on Saturday night. Fresh and smiling, and in excellent spirits after her long journey from the middle of Austria, Mr. Chaplin's daughter looked none the worse for her adventures. She is a handsome woman, as good-looking as her sister, Lady Londonderry, and that is saying a good deal!

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

The Premier in the Temple.

Passing through the Temple the other day I saw a very unfamiliar figure there—Mr. Asquith. I don't think the Premier has revisited a scene associated with so many former triumphs for a long time. Curiously, a few yards further on I met the Speaker.

Celebrities at Queen's.

If you want an interesting afternoon you should pay a visit to Queen's Club when some of the celebrities are playing tennis there. King Manoel is a most strenuous follower of the game. He has rather a stalwart figure, and some of his smashes have all his weight behind them. Mr. Balfour also keeps the game up, although he is most certainly not a strenuous player.

Armlets for Women.

Sir George Pragnell, who is so prominent at the Red Cross central workrooms in Burlington House, has been telling me his proposal that every woman working for the war should wear an armlet. In his way the "women slackers" would be as conspicuous as the men.

Workers.

His pretty daughter, Miss Vera Pragnell, is one of the joint hon. secretaries of the workrooms with Lady Isobel Gathorne-Hardy and Lady Bland-Sutton, all of whom are to be found daily doing office work from ten to six. They don't come under the heading of "women slackers," anyhow.

Fourteen Characters a Night.

A prominent and pretty figure in Mr. Alfred Butt's new Empire production, "Follow the Crowd," will be Miss Fay Compton. During her long engagement with the Follies this versatile daughter of Mr. Ed-



Miss Fay Compton.

ward Compton played no fewer than fourteen parts in a night. Miss Compton was a member of the company which introduced "To-night's Night" to New York, and later appeared there in a revue entitled "Hands Up."

A Dug-Out.

War terms are universal. At Richmond I saw one of those tiny boxes from which tobacco is sold labelled "The Smokers' Dug-Out."

Commenting the Union.

It was a pleasant function that I attended at the Savoy Hotel when the hospitable Newspaper Proprietors' Association gave a dinner to the distinguished French journalists who have been visiting this country. Everything spoke of the alliance between the two peoples who, after centuries of mutual warfare, have exchanged enmity for a firm and durable friendship.

At the Tables.

Fleet-street had turned out to do honour to France. The writers of a former generation were there. That veteran journalist, Sir Edward Russell—who must share with Admiral Fremantle the distinction of being the oldest diner-out in England—was in fine form. He is not too old at eighty-two to make an excellent speech.

"Ici on Parle Francaise."

On such an occasion it was but fitting that French should be the language of the evening. Mr. Herbert Samuel's oration, delivered in excellent French, was most felicitously worded. But the speech of the evening came from M. Blaize, of *La Dépêche de Toulouse*. It was short, but it was admirably to the point, full of fire and fancy.

The Stage Lovers to Marry.

Lovers on and off the stage, charming Miss Cicely Courtneidge, the daughter of Mr. Robert Courtneidge, the Shaftesbury Theatre lessee, and Mr. Jack Hulbert, the popular young actor who, while at Cambridge University, ran all the theatrical entertainments, are being married in London to-day.

I Was Not a Bit Surprised.

It is exactly two years ago since they became engaged. I remember the occasion quite well, for both told me all about it at the time, and were somewhat astonished when I didn't seem a bit surprised at the news. What simple people true lovers really are, to be sure.

Romantic Engagement.

But it was quite a romantic engagement. "It wasn't really the result of our love-making on the stage, for we had been careful not to make that too real, and he used to kiss me very gingerly!" I recall Miss Courtneidge confiding to me.

£20,000,000 in Frock Coats?

I see it suggested in the Press that we should wear our frock coats, and that with our bowlers. But why bowlers? Surely there are enough silk hats left to crown the twenty million pounds worth of frock coat left in Great Britain.

If Frock Coats and Bowlers Arrive.

Were the suggestion adopted I should enjoy seeing Sir Squire Bancroft, Mr. Lewis Harcourt and Commander Carlyon Bellairs in "frockers" and bowlers—but it is doubtful if any one of the three would survive the experiment.

Another Suggestion.

Why stop at frock coats? What of the sports clothes idling at the moment? How many millions does the aggregate of cricket and tennis flannels represent? Then all that is wanted is a lead: Perhaps, therefore, Mr. A. J. Balfour will oblige by appearing in white flannel "bags" and a golf jacket and Sir E. Grey in full fishing kit.



Miss Phyllis Hobday.

A "Joyland" Beauty.

Here is a portrait of Miss Phyllis Hobday, a beautiful member of the beautiful company at the London Hippodrome, where "Joyland" looks like being a joy for ever. I am told that the high coiffure which Miss Hobday affects with a roll and a curl is coming into vogue again. It certainly suits Miss Hobday to perfection.

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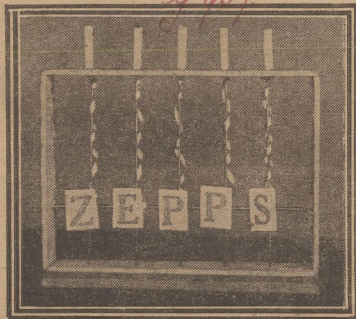
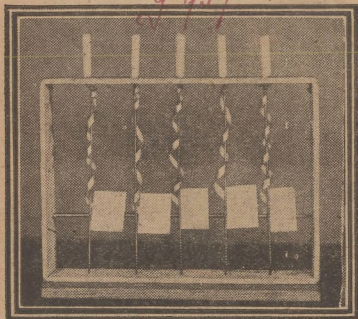
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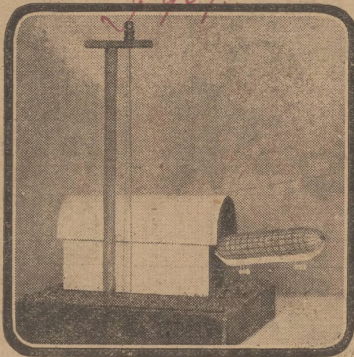


In moist weather the blank sides of the flags are exhibited to view; but as the air dries the foil—or rather the varnish with which one side of each flag is coated—contracts, with the result that the warning "Zepps" is twisted into view. There should be one of these warnings in every home.

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Lily Lucy Ray, aged seven, of Mile End, who was burnt to death. She behaved heroically, driving away her little sister, who attempted to put out the flames.



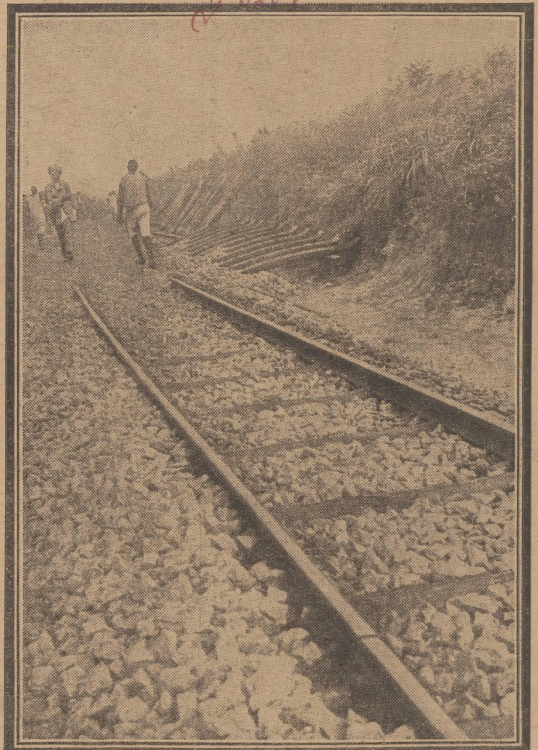
A variation of the old Dutch weather house. As the air dries the Zeppelin begins to emerge from its shed.

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Company Sergeant-Major T. S. Duddy. He was in charge of a machine-gun at Hooge and held his ground for some hours. He was promoted on the field.

BOMBS ON THE RAILWAY LINE.



After a bombing party had been driven from the Uganda Railway, in East Africa. The photograph shows the result of an explosion and coolies transferring baggage from one train to another.

A D.C.M. AS BARBER.



Back to the trenches again. This D.C.M. is giving his officer a haircut. He is quite an efficient barber, though he lacks the usual apparatus, and was therefore unable to follow up the haircut with a shampoo.

MOTOR-VAN DERAILS AN EXPRESS.



This motor-van broke down in the middle of the track at a level crossing near Dunbar. The Newcastle-Glasgow express ran into it, and was derailed, but no one was hurt. The track was ploughed up for about 100 yards.

KNEW NOTHING OF WAR.



Charles Camm, of Egham, who, when fined at Slough for keeping homing pigeons without a permit, pleaded that he knew nothing of the war or of the war regulations as he could neither read nor write.